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INC Council Meets in Czechoslovakia



The Council and their host (from left) Weiller, Villaronga, Skaare, Bates, Arslan, Morrison, Kent, Sejbal, Gedai, Franke

The nine members of the Council of the International Numismatic Commission met in Prague for three days of business meetings and friendly encounters with Czechoslovak numismatists, 25-27 May 1987. The Numismatic Commission of the Czechoslovakian Academy of Sciences, Doz. Dr. Jiří Sejbal, President, and four other Czechoslovak numismatic institutions, in Prague, Brno, Nitra, and Bratislava, were hosts for the meeting.

The Council's business began with the report of the President, who mentioned the four new members of the Commission, including the first member from the People's Republic of China; the publication of an index to the *Survey of Numismatic Research 1978-1984* by Raf Van Laere of Belgium (financed by the IAPN, which supported the publication of the *Survey* itself); and the smooth transition between himself, as ex-Secretary of the INC,

and Raymond Weiller, the new Secretary. The new Treasurer, Leandre Villaronga, presented the Commission's accounts for 1986 and the budget for 1987; the Commission ended the year with a balance of 198 SFr., avoiding a deficit thanks to donations received at the Congress in London. Next year's budget is approximately 2,000 SFr. less than 1986's, due mainly to a reduction of more than 50% in the cost of the *Newsletter*. Villaronga stressed the importance of payment of dues in Swiss francs; payment in other currencies results in a net loss to the Commission of up to 10%.

The Council then heard reports on INC activities: Michael Bates reported on the first issue of the *International Numismatic Newsletter* under his editorship, which had 8 pages and was sent to nearly 300 addresses, and Weiller presented the Commission's *Compte Rendu* 33 for 1986, which includes the new Constitution

of the Commission, reports on Commission activities in the past year, an obituary of Humphrey Sutherland, an appreciation of Edward T. Newell, and a history of the coin collection of the Kestner Museum, Hannover. To reduce publishing and postage costs the *Compte Rendu* will be sent only to members of the INC.

The Congresses, 1986 and 1991

John Kent reported on the experience of the organizers of the London International Numismatic Congress of 1986 (see the similar report by the Congress Secretary Ian Carradice in this issue of the INN), and a letter from Tony Hackens (acting for Maurice Colaert, President of the Société Royale de Numismatique de Belgique, who was ill) raised issues to be considered in the organization of the 1991 Brussels Congress. Both contributions gave rise to extended and lively, if only preliminary, discussions. Weiller was appointed to represent the INC on the Belgian organizing committee for the Congress.

The Council then considered the reports of the projects under the patronage of the Commission, including the *Sylloge Nummorum Graecorum*, *Numismatic Literature*, *Coin Hoards*, and the *Lexicon Iconographicum Mythologiae Classicae*. A new project, the subcommittee on the computerization of numismatic data, was also discussed (following approval of the project by the Commission at the Plenary Meeting last year). On the proposal of Terry Volk, he was appointed Secretary of the subcommittee, with Michael Bates to represent the Council as chair, and a tentative list of members was approved. The subcommittee may meet in Stockholm before the next Council meeting.

In discussing future meetings of the Council, it was proposed to have a numismatic session at the 1990 meeting of the Congrès International des Sciences Historiques in Spain. The theme of the Congress, which will almost coincide with the 400th anniversary of Columbus' first voyage, will be the discovery and colonization of the Americas, an appropriate theme also for a numismatic session. More extended reports on the Council's business appear in this issue of the INN.

Czech hospitality

The visit was rich in professional and social contacts with the Czechoslovak numismatic community. The Council's activities began with a reception in the National Museum of Prague given by the Director, Dr. Adolf Čejchan, who was represented by the Vice-Director of the Museum, Dr. Jaroslav Vrchotka. Dr. Jarmila Hašková, Director of the Numismatic Department, then led a tour of the Museum's excellent coin exhibit, with descriptions by each of the specialists on the staff of his or her special area of the display. Earlier, Skaare (who is also President of the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters) and Dr. Sejbal had been received by the President of the Czechoslovak Academy of Science, Dr. J. Říčan, at the Presidium of the Academy.

The nine Council members then set off in minibuses and cars for Brno, where they were guests for dinner of the Director of the Moravian Museum and the Numismatic Society of Brno. The next morning's business meeting was held in the Coin Cabinet of the Museum, and was followed by a tour of the Numismatic Department and its large exhibition of coins and

medals and then by lunch in the Museum Club, at a table in a Romanesque crypt.

Slovak hospitality

Once again in the cars, the Council went to Nitra, where they visited the Numismatic Department of the Archeological Institute of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, headed by PhDr. Eva Kolníková, and the rich Treasury of the museum of the Institute. Tuesday evening the Council were guests at a buffet reception given by Prof. Dr. Bohuslav Chropovský, Director of the Archeological Institute in the grand salon of Nové Vozokany Castle.



At Nové Vozokany Castle

tle. The Castle, an early twentieth century country villa with modern additions, is now the operating base of the Archaeological Institute. The Castle accommodated the Council for the night (one member slept in the same room used by Nikita Khrushchev three decades before) and provided them with breakfast, lunch, and a meeting room on Wednesday.

In Bratislava

In the afternoon, the Council went on to Bratislava and the Slovak National Museum, where they were received by Dr. Alojz Habovštiak, Director of the Museum, and Dr. Jozef Hlinka, Director of the Numismatic Department, and shown the numismatic gallery. The visit terminated with your editor, through his own negligence, being locked in the Coin Room for a few claustrophobic minutes as the Museum closed, but he was remembered and rescued by Dr. Hlinka and the party then left for Prague, to depart for their several destinations the following day.

The Council agreed that their visit to Czechoslovakia, though strenuous, was most rewarding. All were impressed by the excellence and elegance of the three numismatic exhibitions, which should be better known to numismatists in general, and by the intense level of scholarly numismatic activity in Czechoslovakia, which is obviously strongly supported by the national and regional governments and scientific academies. The Council are grateful for the warm and efficient hospitality shown by all our Czechoslovak colleagues.

Index for Survey Published

An index of authors mentioned in the *Survey of Numismatic Research 1978-1984* has been prepared by Mr. Raf Van Laere and his colleagues of the Archief- en Documentatiecentrum in Hasselt, Belgium. The International Association of Professional Numismatists has generously agreed to pay for the printing of the index (by Cultura Press, Wetteren, printers of the *Survey* itself) in the same format as the survey. Dr. Ian Carradice, on behalf of the organizers of the London Congress, has undertaken to distribute the index without charge to all those who purchased the *Survey* as part of their Congress registration. A. G. van der Dussen b.v., Hondstraat 5, NL-6211 HW Maastricht, The Netherlands, agent for distribution of the *Survey*, will be responsible for distribution of the index to IAPN members and those who bought the survey from him.

This Issue's Masthead

The meeting of the INC Council in Czechoslovakia is the occasion for this issue's logo, with a special nod to the principal organizer of the visit, PhDr. Jiří Sejbál, Director of the Coin Department of the Moravian Museum in Brno and President of the Numismatic Subcommittee of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences. The coin is a 1620 gold ten ducat issue of the Margraviate of Moravia from the mint of Olomouc. In 1619 the militant Protestant party in Moravia overthrew the provincial government of the king of Bohemia. With the Bohemians and others, the Moravians acknowledged Frederick V, son-in-law of James I of England and Scotland, as king, but real power in Moravia rested with a directorate of 30 Protestant leaders. Frederick is not mentioned on this coinage, issued in the name of the Margraviate of Moravia and with the crowned checkered eagle, the country's arms. Late in the year of this coin's issue, at the battle of the White Mountain near Prague, Frederick and the Protestant forces were defeated. Ferdinand II, the former ruler, returned to his throne with the power to crush the large landowners and the royal cities and to re-instate Catholicism as the dominant faith.



The reverse of the issue, which included various denominations in gold and silver, shows a church steeple entwined by a vine, the word UNIO, "union," the legend VIREBO TE STANTE, "I will flourish while you stand," and the initials of the minter, Balthazar Zwirner. The example shown (photograph supplied by Dr. Richard G. Doty) is in the National Numismatic Collection of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington.

New Members for INC

Three new members have joined the International Numismatic Commission since our last issue. These include:

China Numismatic Society
No. 3 Xi Jie
Bai Zhi Fang
Xuan Wu District
Beijing, China
Dai Zhiqiang, Secretary General

Institut für Alte Geschichte der
Universität des Saarlandes
D-6600 Saarbrücken 11
West Germany
Prof. Dr. Peter-Robert Franke

Monnaie Royale de Belgique
Boulevard Pachéco 32
B-1000 Bruxelles, Belgique
Robert M.F. Vogelee, Mintmaster

We welcome these new members. Membership in the International Numismatic Commission is open to all numismatic museums, public collections, research institutes, societies, and national mints. The INC now has 114 members from 34 different countries.

The annual dues are 200 Swiss francs. For information or a membership application, write to:

Dr. Raymond Weiller, Secretary
International Numismatic Commission
Cabinet des Médailles
Musée d'Histoire et d'Art
Marché-aux-Poissons
L-2345 Luxembourg, Luxembourg.

INC Computer Subcommittee Set Up

The Council received from Mr. Terry Volk of the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, a detailed proposal for the operations of the new INC subcommittee on computerization of numismatic data that was approved in principle at the meeting of the full Commission in London in September 1986.

Volk proposed that Michael Bates, as a Vice-President of the Commission and an experienced computer user, would be the obvious candidate for the Chair of the new subcommittee, while Volk himself could undertake the responsibilities of the Secretariat of the subcommittee for a few years.

The membership of the subcommittee should represent all institutions with established computerization projects, leaving the institution to choose representatives at particular meetings of the subcommittee as appropriate to the main subject matter of the discussion. Institutions represented would include those with a co-ordinating role in countries or regional groupings not otherwise represented. In addition, certain individual scholars with practical experience or technical expertise could also take part in the subcommittee's work.

The preliminary member list includes institutions from Austria, West Germany, Switzerland, France, Italy, Spain and

Portugal (which have a formal agreement for co-operation in this field), Scandinavia, The Netherlands, Poland, Hungary, the UK, and the USA. Volk's proposals for officers and members of the subcommittee were approved by the Council.

Goals of the subcommittee

The subcommittee's main goals would be to share the hard-won experience of pioneering institutions, and to realize effective communication among the world's numismatic databases. Creation of a true data network is beyond the means of the INC or its subcommittee, so the role of the sub-committee will be primarily that of informing, advising, and encouraging.

Areas of immediate concern include:

- the creation of a register of projects, which will be based on a questionnaire to be included in the next INN
- the establishment of common standards for the use of video-disks for numismatic data while the use of this technology is still at an early stage
- the establishment of agreed data categories for numismatic databases
- rules for transliteration of languages with non-Roman scripts
- rules for storage of data from metal analyses
- exchange of information in the field of computerized numismatic bibliography and library cataloging.

A meeting in Stockholm to prepare a more detailed scheme is a possibility for coming months. In the meantime, interested parties are invited to write to Volk or Bates with ideas for further discussion. Brief discussions of numismatic computer problems are also invited for the INN.

From the Editor

Today I received from the photo lab the prints of the roll of film shot to record the meeting of the Council in Czechoslovakia less than a month ago. The images brought back many happy memories, which are surely shared by the other Council members. Our Czechoslovak hosts were superb; the tight, crowded schedule was executed perfectly; everywhere we found waiting for us both hospitality and lucid scholarly introductions to the work and exhibits of each institution; and even the weather co-operated. We are grateful to all, and especially to Dr. Jiří Sejbál, President of the Numismatic Subcommittee of the Czechoslovakian Academy of Sciences and principal organizer of our visit.

The new Council

As one of the three "old-timers" on the Council, I will take the liberty of saying how pleasant it has been to work for the first time with the newly elected members, Raymond Weiller, Leandre Villaronga, Ermanno Arslan, Peter Franke, John Kent, and Cécile Morrisson. The Council's discussions in its business meetings and outside were lively, stimulating, and to the point; the long agenda was completed expeditiously and successfully. By chance, we "old-timers," the President and the two Vice-Presidents (Skaare, Bates, and Gedai), were all in Budapest the

week-end following the Council's meeting. Though our encounters were far more social than professional, I can say that we all agree in our high regard for the new Council members.

The INN needs your news

This issue of the INN has more news in every category than the last, with twice as many pages. Many thanks to all those who



Sejbál (l.) and Skaare

sent material. Looking forward to the next issue, when there will be no Council meeting to report, the need for news is greater than ever. I appeal to all readers: Send me your own news, and equally important, send news of your colleagues or urge them to send it. When you write, remember the essential questions for every journalist: Who? What? When? Where? How? and Why? Remember also that illustrations are desirable: Clear black and white photos. The INN will be published twice a year, in July and January; the deadlines will be 1 June and 1 November.

This issue will be sent to about 500 addresses, nearly double the mailing list of a year ago. We want the INN to be distributed as widely as possible, and subscriptions are still available free on request to the editor, but once again we ask those who can to send a small contribution (a few dollars) to cover postage and printing costs.

Contributions received

Contributions to help cover subscription expenses have been received from The Rev. William J. Fulco, S.J.; Dr. Russell A. Hibbs; and Dr. Adriano Savio.

News, photos, and contributions should be sent to:

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10th International Numismatic Congress: Secretary's Report

Planning for the London Congress began only six weeks after the Berne Congress, with the first meeting of a Steering Committee at the British Museum on November 1st, 1979. By January 1982, when the Congress Organising Committee was formed, certain major decisions had already been taken, such as the date, place (city) and outline structure of the Congress.

At this point some key appointments were also made: a Secretary and Treasurer for the Committee and chief editors for the various sections of the *Survey of Numismatic Research*. By the summer of 1982 the *Survey* was being planned in detail, a V.I.P. to open the Congress had been found (a necessarily early step because of the busy schedules such people have), and a Congress meetings venue was provisionally booked.

For the next two years planning progressed at a leisurely pace. A Congress Fund was set up and advice was sought on fund raising and on legal matters. In the summer of 1984 the first notice publicising the Congress was prepared, translated and sent out through various numismatic societies world-wide. The tear-off-card design meant that the returned forms could be filed. Because we did not computerise our applications this was most important—the blue forms remained the key to our administration of the Congress right to the end.

Congress gathered momentum

From this point the Congress began to gather a momentum of its own: potential participants and speakers began to appear daily in the shape of small blue cards, and the Congress suddenly became a not-so-distant reality, threatening to consume more and more of the Secretary's time. The Organising Committee began to meet more frequently; events for inclusion in the programme were planned; speakers for "major papers" were selected and invited. Money for the Congress Fund was arriving in the form of donations from the trade and from individuals, and grants from educational funding bodies. Organisations also agreed to help by sponsoring receptions and financing visitors.

A Finance Sub-Committee was given responsibility for preparing a Congress budget; our chief difficulty was to work out how the costs of the various elements that made up the Congress (some of which might be covered by sponsorship) could be converted into an affordable Congress fee, when we had no idea how many participants might in the end arrive. Meanwhile, in the summer of 1985 the UK Numismatic Trust was formed to administer the business of the Congress. This meant that the two sponsoring societies, the Royal Numismatic Society and the British Numismatic Society, would not have the Congress accounts included in their tax assessments: the new charity was a separate legal entity.

By now the Congress programme was beginning to shape itself; the main problem was uncertainty over the funding for, and hence participation of, a number of visitors, in particular

by Ian A. Carradice, Secretary
Congress Organising Committee

from eastern Europe and India. However, by the end of 1985 a Congress fee had been agreed and the prospectus and application forms were ready for printing. These were sent out early in 1986 and from this point the administration of the Congress became almost a full-time job for the Secretary and newly-appointed Assistant Secretary.

Forms begin to arrive

The Committee still met to discuss various details, but as problems arose decisions were required on a day-to-day basis and these had to be made usually by the Secretary or Treasurer. The arrival of completed application forms and subscriptions was



Carradice

closely monitored; more than 500 participants were needed for the Congress to break even, but when the official "closing date" was reached only 405 applications had been received. We need not have worried though; in the end there was a sufficient number of "late" applications for us not just to recover costs, but to make a healthy profit.

Frantically busy summer

The summer of 1986 was frantically busy but all the numerous separate elements gradually fell into place: the *Survey* and *History of the Royal Numismatic Society* appeared in print, bookings were confirmed and deposits were paid for accommodation, events, etc.; the lecture programme was drafted and chairmen appointed, and plans for the opening ceremony were finalised.

The programme was printed only one week before the Congress was due to begin. Some participants had been wishing to

see it for months, but non-confirmation of attendance by a large number of speakers precluded an earlier printing—what use would a programme be containing 100 “speakers” who had not yet enrolled for the Congress?

During that last week before the Congress we were faced with putting together 600 Congress packs containing various different enclosures (tickets for receptions, excursion, etc). There were also logistical matters to be sorted out—transportation of material from the British Museum to the Congress venue, provision of audio-visual facilities, etc. At this point the Congress relied very heavily on volunteers, mostly staff from the British Museum coin room, but also members of the Royal Numismatic Society and British Numismatic Society, and various friends and relations. By the Sunday afternoon of September 8th we were ready to deal with the registration of hundreds of visitors.

Lessons for the future

Looking back at the organisation of the Congress it is possible to identify a number of points which may be worth mentioning for the advice of organisers of future similar events.

1. Planning: allow the maximum time possible and keep monitoring all work. Also, careful planning for administrative convenience is vital: for instance options for additional payment like lunches and accommodation should be kept as simple as possible in the application form.

2. Funding: explore every possible source. If a professional congress organiser is engaged there is an obvious need for much more funding than a “do-it-yourself” organisation, such as was used for London. On the other hand, we had to rely on the generosity and co-operation of our employers (notably the British Museum) for tolerating the intrusion of the Congress into our time.

Staffing

3. Labour: we relied very heavily on volunteers at all stages of preparation for the Congress; we could not have managed without them. Equally, we also could not have managed without our one paid employee, the Assistant Secretary.

4. Officers: Certain duties in the planning stage should be clearly identified and given to individuals. On the basis of our experience, I would suggest the following: a) General organiser, who must have an assistant; b) Treasurer/finance officer; c) Accommodation officer (who should have an assistant during the Congress); d) Grants officer; e) Social events organiser.

5. At the Congress: we found we needed large, not small, lecture rooms. Continuous availability of refreshments, as opposed to set breaks, worked satisfactorily. Volunteers were needed for various jobs, including provision and distribution of abstracts, signs, projectors, etc. We lacked suitable on-the-spot office facilities, particularly photo-copying and typing. We also regret not having thought of engaging an official photographer.

There are, no doubt, many other aspects of the Congress and its organisation that could be commented upon; those involved in preparing the London event will, of course, be willing to pass on the benefit of their experience to those who have to prepare for the next one.

Council to Meet in Copenhagen Next Year

The Council accepted the invitation of the Royal Collection of Coins and Medals, National Museum, Copenhagen, to meet there in 1988. The probable dates will be 29 May-1 June.

The 1989 meeting is proposed for Luxembourg, as guests of the Cabinet des Médailles of the Musée d'Histoire et d'Art. The location will facilitate meetings with Belgian colleagues planning the 1991 International Numismatic Congress.

Treasurer Reports INC Financial Status

Sr. Leandre Villaronga, Treasurer of the International Numismatic Commission, presented to the Council the Commission's accounts for 1986 and projected budget for 1987. For 1986, total expenses were 22,216.40 SFr., leaving a positive balance of 198 SFr. at the end of the year. This favorable outcome was the result of gifts totalling 480.15 SFr. collected by the former treasurer, Prof. Herbert A. Cahn, at the meeting of the Commission in London.

For 1987, budgeted expenses will be reduced to 20,100 SFr., leaving a projected surplus of 2,198 SFr. The changes in projected expenses are an increase of 1,000 SFr. in travel, reflecting higher air fares to Czechoslovakia, and a decrease of some 3,600 SFr. in Newsletter expenses, saved by the free use of the ANS typesetting facilities for producing the INN as well as its lighter weight which reduces postage expenses.

Sr. Villaronga noted that the INC suffers some losses and inconvenience because a few institutions pay the annual dues (200 SFr.) in other currencies. The loss from exchange fluctuations and bank charges can amount to as much as 10% of the payment. In the future, all members are requested to pay the sum of 200 SFr. by international money order to account 10-217,970 of the Société de Banque Suisse, rue Aeschenvorstadt 1, CH-4002 Basel, Switzerland.

A Correction

In the last issue of INN, a paragraph in the original manuscript was inadvertently and regrettably omitted from the printed description of the Congress at the end of the section “Crowded Social Calendar.” The paragraph read as follows:

Thursday evening a reception at Sotheby's marked the publication of R.A.G. Carson's *History of the Royal Numismatic Society*, and Friday at the Royal Automobile Club the International Association of Professional Numismatists were hosts for what seemed to be the largest and most crowded gathering of them all. In addition, there were numerous private luncheons, receptions and dinners where British numismatists made sure their foreign visitors were warmly welcomed.

The editor apologizes to our hosts, Sotheby's and the IAPN, and trusts that all who were at the Congress will share his gratitude for their splendid hospitality.

Remise des Mélanges Pierre Bastien

Le volume de *Mélanges* offerts à Pierre Bastien à l'occasion de son 75^e anniversaire lui a été remis le 16 mai 1987. Une cérémonie sympathique, qui se déroulait dans le cadre prestigieux des salles d'exposition du Cabinet des Médailles, a réuni de nom-



Naster (à dr.) présente les *Mélanges* à Bastien

breux amis de P. Bastien, venus des quatre coins de l'Europe et des États-Unis pour cette occasion. Après les discours de H. Nicolet, H. Huvelin, L. Smolderen et J. Lafaurie, il revint à P. Naster de présenter ce beau volume de plus de 400 pages et 29 planches, auquel M. et Mme. R. De Meester avaient apporté tout leur soin. Dans sa réponse, P. Bastien remercia, avec malice et émotion, tous ceux qui avaient contribué au succès de cette fête, qui se termina par un vin d'honneur.

L'après-midi, la Société Française de Numismatique rendait elle aussi hommage à P. Bastien. Durant cette séance, P. Bastien remit à P. Naster la médaille A. Huntington que lui avait écornée l'ANS en début d'année.

Un dîner amical clôtura cette journée et l'on se sépara en évoquant déjà le plaisir de se retrouver tous à Bruxelles en 1991.

MUSEUM NEWS

Athens

The Athens Numismatic Museum is about to move this year to the renovated mansion of Heinrich Schliemann, "Iliou Melathron".

Copenhagen

A strike of security staff at the Danish National Museum, which began 1 April 1987 and continued as the INN went to press, has left the Royal Collection of Coins and Medals prac-

tically inaccessible. No visitors can be received nor can the staff produce plaster casts or new photographs.

Hannover

Seit dem 18. Februar 1987 ist die Münzsammlung des Kestner-Museums in einem eigenen Münzkabinett zu sehen. Ausgestellt sind etwa 2.000 Münzen, Medaillen und Gemmen vom 6. Jh. v. Chr. bis zur Gegenwart. Herausragend im Bestand des Kestner-Museums sind vor allem die Münzen der römischen Republik, die nordwestdeutschen Brakteaten des Mittelalters, und die grösste Sammlung von Münzen Chinas und Japans in Deutschland. Es ist geplant, den Bestand des Münzkabinetts laufend in Sonderausstellungen und Bestandskatalogen zu zeigen. [A history of the Kestner Coin Cabinet appears in the latest issue of the International Numismatic Commission's *Compte rendu*, number 33, 1986.]

Kuala Lumpur

The Central Bank of Malaysia (Bank Negara Malaysia) was established in 1959, started issuing its own currency in 1967, and began collecting coins, particularly those of rare Malaysian origin, in 1979, with a view to setting up eventually a Money Museum.

It has now been decided to site the museum in one of the two additional tower blocks for the Bank's headquarters in Kuala Lumpur that were completed in 1986. The museum will open to the public in 1988. A design consultant was hired last July to assist in the design and construction of the galleries. The following themes are planned for this phase: primitive money; money of the pre-colonial period, of the colonial period, and of the post colonial period; Central Bank of Malaysia currency issues; and world currencies. The curator is Ms. Ragayah bt. Dato' Hajj Mohammed Eusoff (Bank Negara Malaysia, P.O. Box 10922, Jalan Kuching, 50929 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia).

Naples

M. Giovanni Bovi, président depuis de longues années du Cercle Numismatique Napolitain et mort en janvier 1984, avait laissé une des plus importantes collections privées de monnaies des Deux Siciles. Couvrant une période de plus de 1000 ans depuis l'époque byzantine jusqu'aux Bourbons, cette collection, par sa richesse (4000 pièces) et son caractère organique, constitue un ensemble de haute valeur scientifique. Madame Luisa Bovi, qui a partagé la passion numismatique de son mari, en a fait donation au Musée "Principe Filangieri" de Naples afin que la collection puisse demeurer intègre et être mise à la disposition de tous ceux qui éprouvent de l'intérêt pour le monnayage médiéval et moderne de l'Italie du Sud. Prochainement paraîtra le catalogue de la collection.

Paris

La collection de moulages du Cabinet des Médailles est désormais accessible aux chercheurs. Classée depuis deux ans par Mme Marina Olivry, ancienne élève d'Ecole du Louvre, elle comprend actuellement plus de 14000 moulages, dont la majeure partie avait été rassemblée par H. Seyrig. Points forts de la collection:

Lysimaque, Alexandre, les Séleucides et les cités de Syrie et Phénicie. Il reste à intégrer les moulages réunis par G. Le Rider, afin que cet ensemble devienne une source documentaire majeure pour tout ceux qui s'intéressent aux monnayages royaux hellénistiques ainsi qu'aux monnayages des cités grecques du Levant.

ONS Will Publish Congress Abstracts

The Oriental Numismatic Society, a member of the International Numismatic Commission, will publish as an ONS Occasional Paper the abstracts of all Oriental (Islamic, South Asian, and East Asian) papers given at the 1986 International Numismatic Congress in London.

The ONS has already published the minutes of the Islamic workshop at the Congress as Occasional Paper 21. A summary of the South Asian workshop was published in ONS Newsletter 103 (November-December 1986). To order copies, write:

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74 Outram Road
Croydon, Surrey CR0 6XF
England.

Cahn Reports on LIMC

Dr. Herbert A. Cahn, representative of the INC on the board of the *Lexicon Iconographicum Mythologiae Classicae*, sent a report to the Council on the LIMC's progress in the past year:

Der dritte Band (Atherion - Eros) ist fristgemäß erschienen. Er enthält auch als Nachtrag zu Band 1-2 die Artikel Ariadne und Astarte. Zahlreiches numismatisches Material erscheint auf den Tafeln und im Text, so z.B. in den Artikeln Constantinopolis, Demos, Dionysos und Dioskouroi. Die Artikel über Flussgötter (z.B. Belos, Chrysoroas) wurden meist vom Unterzeichneten verfasst.

Zur Zeit wird Band 4 vorbereitet. Er wird Artikel bis Herakles (Teil I) enthalten. Dank der Mitwirkung von Dr. M. Price und Dr. I. Carradice konnten die Münzen vieler der bereits eingelefert Artikel kontrolliert werden. Es macht sich jedoch immer mehr bemerkbar, dass die Bereitstellung der numismatischen Dokumentation, die Bibliographie, die up-to-date gebracht werden sollte, und die Besorgung des Bildmaterials Aufgabe für einen Numismatiker wäre, der im Bureau LIMC Basel tätig sein sollte. Hierfür haben aber die Mittel gefehlt.

Prize for Numismatic Monograph

The Quadrennial Prize of the Royal Belgian Numismatic Society is conferred upon the author of an unpublished scientific, original study relating to numismatics or sigillography. It was granted for the first time in 1981 and will be granted again in 1989. Participation is not restricted to holders of diplomas or titles or by nationality, but it is restricted to persons who will be no more than 35 years old as of 1 November 1988.

The study should be at least 75 pages of typewritten text and may be written in French, Dutch, English, German, Italian or Spanish.

In 1989 the prize will be 50,000 Belgian francs.

Manuscripts must be in possession of the Society before 1 November 1988.

Complete rules can be obtained on application to the Chairman of the Society, Dr. Maurice Colaert, avenue Winston Churchill 58, bte 17, 1180 Brussels, Belgium.

NUMISMATIC MEETINGS

Colorado Springs, 11-15 September 1987

The biennial congress and exposition of the **Fédération Internationale de la Médaille** will be held at the headquarters of the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs, Colorado. For further information write FIDEM '87, P.O. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 80901, USA.

Erlangen, 5. März 1987

Kolloquium **Analytische und metallkundliche Probleme der Münzmetalle des Altertums und des Mittelalters** an dem Lehrstuhl Werkstoffwissenschaft (Metalle) der Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg.

Zwicker, Furbacher, Juckenath, Lassner, Nigge, Papperitz: Analytische und metallkundliche Untersuchungen an Silber-Kupfer-Münzen

Stos-Gale, Gale: New Results of Lead Isotope Measurements and Trace Elements Analysis for Ancient and Medieval Coinage

Craddock: Phrygia in the History of Zinc and Brass (the Coins of Mithradates VI)

Cowell: Two Thousand Years of Coinage in China (Changes in Alloy Composition)

Moesta: Einschlüsse in römischem Münzmetall

Breme, Zwicker: Kupferlegierungen bei den Rechenpfennigen des Mittelalters

Franke: Einige Beispiele für den Wert von metallkundlichen Untersuchungen für die antike Geschichte am Beispiel der Numismatik

Auskunft: Prof. Dr. U. Zwicker, Lehrstuhl Werkstoffwissenschaft (Metalle), Martensstr. 5, D-8520 Erlangen, West Germany.

Jerusalem, October 1988

To honor the memory of **Paul Balog**, the Israel Museum will hold a conference on **Islamic numismatics, weights, and related subjects**, accompanied by an exhibition of Dr. Balog's collection which was bequeathed to the Museum after his death in 1983.

Nasik, 8-10 January 1987

Numismatics and Archeology was the subject of the Second International Colloquium of the Indian Institute of Research in Numismatic Studies. Participants included D. W. MacDowall, D. Sellwood, C. Foss, R. S. Wicks, G. Fussman, P. Berghaus, N. J. Mayhew, S. C. Ray, B. N. Mukharjee, M. K. Bai, M. C. Ganorkar, A. M. Shastri, I. K. Sarma, S. R. Roy, B. P.

Sinha, H. C. Bhandwaj, K. Deva, V. L. Sharma, and P. Singh. The collected papers have been published and are available from the Institute (see New Books).

New York, 26-27 September 1987

The 1987 Coinage of the Americas Conference will be on **The Medal in America** at the American Numismatic Society. Thirteen papers will be presented on topics from the eighteenth to the twentieth centuries. For more information write Dr. Alan Stahl, American Numismatic Society, Broadway at 155th Street, New York, NY 10032, USA.

New York, 29-30 de Octubre, 1988

El **Virreinato del Perú y sus monedas** (incluyendo los estados sucesores) será el tema del quinto Coinage of the Americas Conference (COAC). A los escolares numismáticos dedicados a la historia política, económica, y social de la América latina se piden enviar propuestas sobre sus obras escritas en español o en inglés antes del 15 de Mayo, 1988. Para más informes escriban Uds. al Dr. William L. Bischoff, Assistant Curator for Modern Coins and Currency, American Numismatic Society, Broadway at 155th Street, New York, NY 10032.

Paris

Le Groupe de Recherches Coordonnées "**Monnaies et Financement**" du C.N.R.S. tiendra désormais ses réunions à la Monnaie de Paris. Sa première réunion s'est déroulée le 9 janvier sur le thème "John Law" avec le Pr A. Murphy (Dublin, Trinity College) et Mme M. T. Boyer. La deuxième, sur "Monnaie privée et pouvoir des princes," a eu lieu le 12 mars.

Sigtuna, Sweden, June 1-4, 1989

In connection with the *Corpus Nummorum Saeculorum IX-XI*, an international **Symposium on Viking Age Coinage** will be held. The number of non-Swedish participants is limited to c. 35. For information, write to Prof. Dr. Brita Malmer, Numismatiska institutionen, Box 5405, S-114 84 Stockholm, Sweden.

Warszawa 29.4.1987

Les **trouvailles de monnaies de fouilles et isolées** constituaient le thème du colloque organisé par la Société archéologique et numismatique polonaise. Sept rapports ont été prononcés concernant des problèmes généraux (S. Suchodolski), des monnaies romaines (A. Bursche, P. Wielowiejski), du haut Moyen Age (R. Kiersnowski), du bas Moyen Age (T. Szczurek), d'époque moderne (A. Mikołajczyk) ainsi que des trouvailles provenant des fleuves (J. Dutkowski).

Un appello: Cataloghi per il fotoarchivio dell'ANS

L'American Numismatic Society mantiene fin dal 1916 un fotoarchivio (photo file) contenente riproduzioni fotografiche di monete greche, romane e bizantine. Nel 1984 le sezioni medie-

vale ed islamica si aggiunsero a quelle per la numismatica antica. Tali sezioni sono ancora in fase di elaborazione.

Fra le serie su cui ci si concentra attualmente sono quelle degli Ostrogoti, Longobardi, Vandali e Visigoti, e quelle relative alla monetazione dell'Italia medievale. Nell'intento di integrare tali collezioni, l'ANS fa appello ai donatori disposti a contribuire cataloghi numismatici di vendita, o qualsiasi foto di monete appartenenti alle epoche suddette, ed atte a venir montate su scheda. Nel frattempo, è sempre attuale il bisogno di cataloghi in ogni campo della numismatica antica, medievale, islamica e sud-asiatica. Generalmente due esemplari sono necessario di ogni catalogo (se sono stampati le illustrazioni sulle due facie delle pagine), ma in molte istanze n'abbiamo solo una unica ed aspettiamo un secondo.

Il fotoarchivio dell'ANS dà prontamente riscontro e ringrazia per i doni ricevuti; esso invia inoltre a chi ne faccia richiesta una lista computerizzata dei cataloghi numismatici da cui sono già state tratte schede per il fotoarchivio, ed informazioni relative alle monete contenute in tali cataloghi.

Si prega di indirizzare i cataloghi a:

Library/Photo File
American Numismatic Society
Broadway at 155th Street
New York, N.Y. 10032 USA

e le richieste di informazioni a: Photo File (indirizzo come sopra).

New Periodical for Islamic Spain

A new bulletin for Spanish Islamic numismatics, *Jarique*, has begun publication under the patronage of the numismatic group of the same name. The journal will also include articles on North African coinage with Spanish connections. The first issue, January 1987, has a report on the 10th International Numismatic Congress with abstracts of the seven Congress papers on Spanish Islamic numismatics, and four brief notes on new or problematic coins. For subscriptions, write to the editor, Sr. Juan Ignacio Saenz-Diez, Ruiz de Alarcon, 13, E-28014 Madrid, Spain. Subscriptions are \$10.00 per year. *Jarique* is a Spanish dialectal word derived from Arabic *sharaka*, meaning "sharing."

NUMISMATIC TEACHING

Austria

Salzburg: Institut für Alte Geschichte und Altertumskunde. Lic. phil. Günther E. Thüry: Vorlesung: Römische Fundmünzen als archäologisch-historisches Quellenmaterial. Zweistündig. Termine nach Übereinkunft.

Greece

Athens: Athens University. Dr. M. Oeconomides: Greek Numismatics.

Thessaloniki: Archaeological Institute. Dr. Aliki Moustaka: Introduction to Greek Numismatics. Thursday 11-14h.

Hungary

Keszthely: A numismatic summer course was organized by the Hungarian Numismatic Association and the Hungarian

Numismatic Society on Lake Balaton, 27-31 May 1987. The program included lectures on Hellenic coinage, Roman forgeries, the coinage of Transylvania, Biblical medals, Hungarian tokens, and other topics. The lecturers included Prof. Kolbjørn Skaare, President of the INC, and Dr. Helmuth Jungwirth, Director of the Vienna Coin Cabinet.

Israel

Jerusalem: Hebrew University. Prof. Yaakov Meshorer: Introduction to Numismatics of the Holy Land (B.A. level); Numismatics for History and Archeology (M.A. level; 1987-88: The Decapolis).

France

Paris: École Pratique des Hautes Études (4e section). Prof. J.-P. Callu: Les Pères et la monnaie (365-395); La perforation de l'or.

Italy

Milan: Università degli Studi di Milano. Prof. D. Foraboschi (Cattedra di Numismatica): Monetazione e circolazione monetaria ad Alessandria d'Egitto.

Dr. A. Savio: Esercitazioni di numismatica alessandrina.

United States

Colorado Springs: American Numismatic Association. Young Numismatist Intern Program: eight week training session in numismatic practice, including museum work, authentication, photography, editing, and library work. One student 17 to 21 years of age, a member of the ANA, will be selected. An ANA scholarship covers all costs.

New York: American Numismatic Society. Graduate Seminar in Numismatics, 9 June-8 August 1987: Eleven graduate students from North American universities will study Greek, Roman, medieval and Islamic numismatics. The Visiting Scholar this year will be Dr. Ian Carradice of the Department of Coins and Medals, British Museum.

New York: Columbia University. Dr. Nancy Waggoner (Adjunct Professor): Seminar in Greek Numismatics (Dept. of Art History and Archaeology). Fall term, Thursdays, 2:10-4:00.

West Germany

Bonn: Archäologisches Institut, Am Hofgarten 21. PD Dr. Dieter Salzmann: Vorlesung: Hellenistische Herrscherporträts. Das Zeugnis der Münzen. Sommersemester 1987, Di. 11-12.

Editor's note: Readers will have noticed a considerable decline in the number of entries in this section since the editorship moved from Basel to New York. From the other side of the Atlantic, it is impossible to keep up with all the many European courses in numismatics. Either we will have to depend on professors to send notices without being reminded (in which case, it seems, we will get very few notices), or someone in each country will have to undertake the collection and forwarding of information

on numismatic teaching there. Volunteers for this duty are welcome.

Notices should include the title of the course; the university, with department, institute, or other subdivision; the professor's full name; and any other information that may be useful.

Committee for 1991 Congress

The organizing committee for the Eleventh International Numismatic Congress, Brussels, 1991, has been formed with Prof. Tony Hackens as President. The other members are Maître Maurice Colaert, Prof. Paul Naster, M. Raf Van Laere, and Dr. Raymond Weiller to represent the Council of the International Numismatic Commission.

The Congress will be held in the second week of September, that is from 8 September to 12 September, with the General Meeting of the Commission on Saturday 13 September.

Westermarck Reports on SNG Progress

Prof. Ulla Westermarck, Chair of the INC Subcommittee for the *Sylloge Nummorum Graecorum*, sent to the Council her first annual report on progress of the SNG in participating countries. Three sylloge volumes have been published in the past year, covering parts of the collections of Aarhus (Denmark) University, the Manchester University Museum, and E. Levante of Switzerland (see New Books, Greek and Roman). The complete sylloge of the H. von Aulock collection was reprinted in the U.S. in 1986.

Volumes in the press or in preparation include the following:

In press

Denmark

Aarhus University, fasc. 2. Collection Fabricius (492 pieces).

United States

New York, American Numismatic Society, vol. 7: Macedonian Cities, Tribes and Paeonian Kings. By Nancy Waggoner.

In preparation

Austria

Klagenfurt, Sammlung Dreer, Teil 3: Dakien-Makedonien.

Cyprus

Nicosia, The Cyprus Museum, fasc. 1. A considerable part of the coins have been photographed. (I. Nicolaou).

Denmark

Copenhagen, The Royal Collection of Coins and Medals. Danish National Museum. Supplements 1-2, ca. 1500 pieces. (J. Zahle).

Finland

Helsingfors, The Erkki Keckman collection in the Saastöpank-
kien Keskus-Osake-Pankki (ca. 1500 pieces).

France

Paris, Cabinet des Médailles, Bibliothèque Nationale, Collection Chandon de Briailles (M. Amandry).

Germany

München, Staatliche Münzsammlung, Teil 12: Thessalien-Epiros (P. R. Franke).

München, Staatliche Münzsammlung, Teil 24: Phrygien (W. Leschorn).

Tübingen, Teil 4: Mysien-Karien (D. Mannsperger).

Greece

Athens, Numismatic Museum, Collection Christomanou, fasc. 1: Italy-Attica (ca. 900 pieces) (M. Oeconomides).

Hungary

Budapest, Magyar Nemzeti Múzeum, part 1: Italy-Sicily. The manuscript has been prepared by Melinda Torbagyi.

Part 2: Thrace-Macedonia is being prepared.

Norway

Public collections in Norway: (Oslo, University Coin Cabinet; Trondheim, University collection; Arendal, Kristiansand, Stavanager Museum collections. In all ca. 8,400 pieces).

Oslo University Coin Cabinet: Hispania-Gallia and Sicily (J. Nordbø).

Spain

Madrid, Instituto Valencia de Don Juan: Collection of Ancient Iberian, Carthaginian and Hispano-Carthaginian coins (ca. 3000 pieces). Three fascicles are planned. The catalogue has been prepared by María Paz García-Bellido.

Sweden

Stockholm, The Royal Coin Cabinet, vol. II part 3: Attica onwards.

United Kingdom

Vol. IV. Cambridge, Fitzwilliam Museum, part 9.

Vol. VI. Cambridge, Corpus Christi College, part 2.

Vol. VIII. Blackburn, Hart Collection.

United States

New York, The American Numismatic Society, vol. 5: Syracuse to the end of Sicily (by Denyse Bérend; with indices for all of southern Italy and Sicily, by Margaret Thompson, and an appendix, by Carmen Arnold-Biucchi and Hyla Troxell, with some 190 coins of South Italy and Sicily donated by a Swiss-Italian collector). To be published next after SNGANS vol. 7.

New York, The American Numismatic Society, vol. 8-9: Macedonian Kings to Alexander III (Vol. 8) and Alexander gold coins and his lifetime silver issues from Amphipolis (9) (Hyla Troxell).

WORK IN PROGRESS

Greek

Prof. D. Foraboschi, Cattedra di Numismatica, Università degli Studi di Milano: Arsinoe II Philadelphos e la prima monetazione romana; Economia e guerra nel *De rebus bellicis* (in corso di stampa); Monetazione arcaica e Costituzione d'Atene.

Dr. M. Oeconomides, Athens Numismatic Museum: The Pontolivado hoard (1971) of archaic Thasian and Neapolitan coins.

Dr. M. Oeconomides and Dr. Ph. Drososyanni: The Samos hoard (1983) of early 7th century Byzantine gold coins.

Dr. M. Oeconomides, Dr. I. Touratsoglou, E. Kouli, A. Galani: The "Komotini" hoard (ca. 1979): Contribution to the circulation of the tetartera.

Le Centre de l'Antiquité Grecque et Romaine (CRAGR) de la Fondation Nationale de la Recherche Scientifique (FNRS) est en train de recueillir et de publier toutes les sources concernant l'histoire de la Macédoine antique. Parallèlement, le Centre s'intéresse à la publication des *corpora* des monnaies de la même région. A présent ils voudraient recueillir le matériel numismatique d'Amphipolis. Toutes les collections privées ou publiques sont priées d'envoyer des moulages ou au besoin des photos claires et lisibles des monnaies qui se trouvent en leur possession. Le Centre se chargera de tous les frais relatifs à cette opération. Ils voudraient recevoir en priorité la partie romaine de ce matériel, correspondant aux numéros 57-140 du BMC et aux numéros 85-122 du SNG de Copenhague. Adressez le professeur M.B. Sakellariou, Directeur, Centre de l'Antiquité Grecque et Romaine, 48, Avenue Vassileos Constantinou, Athènes 501/1, Grèce.

For a study of the coinage of Chios, 6-4th centuries B.C., Mr. Nicholas Hardwick (Heberden Coin Room, Ashmolean Museum, Oxford OX1 2PH) would be grateful for casts, photographs, and any information about coins in the series.

Roman

Dr. Yaakov Meshorer, Israel Museum, Jerusalem: a monograph on the coinage of Aelia Capitolina, in press; catalog of the numismatic collection of Haifa University (ex R. Hecht collection).

Dr. A. Savio, Istituto di Papirologia, Milano: La coerenza di Caligola nella gestione della moneta (in corso di stampa); La serie alessandrina di Nerone.

Medieval

Künl. Myntkabinettet: The next volume of the collected Viking Age hoards from Sweden, *Corpus nummorum saeculorum IX-XI qui in Suecia reperti sunt*, Skane vol. 4, edited by Brita Malmer and Lars O. Lagerqvist, will soon appear, published by the Royal Coin Cabinet.

In the series *Sveriges Mynthistoria: Landskapsinventeringen*, the collected publication of all Swedish coin finds, province by province,

Ostergötland and *Ängermanland* have so far appeared. *Dalarna* is in print and *Uppland* 1-2 is in preparation.

Lajos Huszár, former keeper of the National Museum of Hungary's Coin Cabinet, has in press *The mintage of the principality of Transylvania* (in German), with a detailed description of all coin types minted in the territory from the epoch of Prince János Zsigmond until the death of Maria Theresa (16th-18th centuries). The volume, of some 460 pages with 2300 illustrations, is the first such work since the 1901 Resch catalogue.

Dr. Niklot Klüssendorf, Hessisches Landesamt für geschichtliche Landeskunde, Marburg (BRD), is studying the Niederhone hoard of 17th century gold coins as an important episode in the evolution of numismatics as a science. The discovery of this hoard in 1780 led to the famous decree of Frederick II, Landgrave of Hesse-Kassel, which Sir George Hill called an example of singular enlightenment in the juridical treatment of coin hoards in the late 18th century. The hoard itself is still unpublished, and was dispersed in 1923-24, when large parts of the Kassel Public Collection had to be sold in the course of financial operations of the Museum.

For his study on medieval Venetian coinage, Alan M. Stahl, Curator of Medieval Coins at the American Numismatic Society, is seeking information on unpublished finds of Venetian coins, as well as photos of coins of Venice before 1473 for a photo corpus.

Medals

George S. Cuhaj, American Numismatic Society: Catalogue of Catholic Church medals of the United States; catalogue of railroad medals of the United States.

Numismatic Literature Report

The Council received the following report from Candace Carter, International Editor of *Numismatic Literature*, published by the American Numismatic Society under the auspices of the International Numismatic Commission.

NL 116, September 1986, contained 1,000 titles and abstracts. The International Editor and the Contributing Editors have been successful in their endeavor to enlarge the size of the journal. Two more countries now participate on the board of Contributing Editors, the People's Republic of China and Jordan.

At a meeting of the International Editor and Contributing Editors at the International Numismatic Congress in September 1986, recommendations were made for changes in format and content, which were incorporated in NL 117. New sections were introduced in order to distinguish the different fields of ancient numismatics, including Celtic, Punic, Etruscan, and Iberian, all of which had previously been included in the Greek section, and Ancient Near East, including areas formerly divided between Greek, Near and Middle East, and India. The Contributing Editors are also attempting to enlarge the scope of their contributions to include more material from non-numismatic journals. NL 117 listed 923 titles.

The International Editor and Contributing Editors are interested in suggestions regarding NL, which can be sent either to the editor for a particular country, as listed in the front of the journal, or to Miss Carter at the ANS.

Numismatic Literature, published twice a year, is the abstract bibliography of current publications in numismatics. Subscriptions are available from the ANS at \$10.00 including postage.

EXHIBITIONS

Berlin

The Hungarian Institute of Berlin displayed **Brandenburg and Prussian Coins in Hungary** as part of the commemoration of the 750th anniversary of Berlin. István Gedai, head of the Coin Cabinet of the Hungarian National Museum, organized the exhibition.

Budapest

The Medals of the Military Expedition Against the Turks and the Recapture of Buda has been opened in the Hungarian National Museum, organized by Vera G. Héri, a staff member in the Coin Cabinet.

The Semmelweis Museum for Medical History opened an exhibition **Medallic Art and Medicine in the Life-Work of the Octogenarian Miklós Borsos**, organized by Mrs. Zs. Csoma and J. Gosztonyi.

Colorado Springs

The fiftieth anniversary exhibit of contemporary medals of the **Fédération Internationale de la Médaille** will be exhibited at the museum of the American Numismatic Association, 818 N. Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, Colorado from September 11, 1987 to March 31, 1988.

Cracow

The travelling exhibition **The History of Hungarian Thaler Coinage**, organized by István Gedai of the Hungarian National Museum, Budapest, opened in Cracow and will go on to Łódź, Wrocław and Warsaw.

New York City

A special exhibition, **The Beaux Arts Medal in America**, will be at the museum of the American Numismatic Society, Broadway at 155th Street, New York, NY, from September 26, 1987 to April 16, 1988. Barbara A. Baxter is guest curator for the exhibition.

Paris

L'exposition "**Des monnaies dans la grave:**" le Trésor de Garonne fut présentée du 15 janvier au 30 mars 1987 à l'Hôtel de la Monnaie de Paris, et sera présentée du 15 avril au 15 octobre au Musée Thomas Dobrée, Nantes; du 1 novembre au 15 janvier 1988 au Musée Historique, Marseilles; et du 1 février au 15 avril 1988 au Musée Saint-Raymond, Toulouse. Au cen-

tre est le plus important trésor connu dans le monde romain du II^e siècle ap. J.C. (4.000 monnaies, 100 kg de laiton et de cuivre), avec oeuvres prestigieuses évoquant la Garonne et l'Aquitaine, la navigation et le commerce dans l'Antiquité, le pouvoir d'achat des monnaies romaines, leur rôle dans le rayonnement de l'image impériale et la diffusion de la propagande politique. A l'oc-

casion de cette exposition et pour commémorer une découverte archéologique exceptionnelle, la Monnaie de Paris a édité le fac-similé agrandi d'un sesterce du trésor avec l'effigie de Faustine l'Aînée, épouse d'Antonin le Pieux. Il y a aussi un catalogue et une affiche, disponibles de la Musée Monétaire, 11, quai de Conti, F-75270 Paris.



A Hoard Displayed in the Moravian Museum, Brno

NUMISMATISTS IN THE NEWS

The Centre National de Recherche sur les Jetons et les **Mereaux du Moyen-Age** has issued the first number of its bulletin, *Le Livre des Mercils*, available to members of the Centre. The Centre has also developed a set of principles for numerical classification of these objects. For information on membership or the activities of the Centre, write Prof. Jacques Labrot, 2, impasse Nungesser et Coli, F-78000 Versailles, France.

Dr. Bruno Collin a présenté une conférence sur le thème "L'administration monétaire en France à la fin de l'Ancien Régime" au Collège de France le 3 Février 1987.

Edward Gans will observe his 100th birthday on August 27. As this is written, he is reported in good health except for his blindness.

Dr. István Gedai, head of the Coin Cabinet of the Hungarian National Museum and Vice-President of the INC, received the Móra Ferenc Prize of the Hungarian government, awarded to persons of meritorious cultural activity. He was also appointed Secretary-General of the Museum Council from 1 May 1987, while remaining keeper of the Cabinet.

Emer. ord. Univ.-Professor Dr. Robert Göbl schreibt uns aus Wien: Collegae et sodales spectatissimi, propinqui et amici carissimi, attendite! Mense Februario huius anni currentis MCMLXXXVII exeunte ob audiendi gravitatem sub titulo professoris ordinarii emeriti in otium concedam atque Iosephi Hilarii Eckhelii cathedram.... Ideo ne Institutum quidem Numismaticum Universitatis nostrae Vindobonensis exinde administrabo.... Munere autem praefectus Commissioni

Numismatice...Academiae Scientiarum Austriacae etiam in posterum fungi non desinam, ad quam Deo iuvante totum me conferam.... Iterum attendite: Inscriptiones cursuales non mutantur!

E. Gubelli ha presentato la sua tesi di laurea *La riforma di Aureliano* all'Istituto di Papirologia, Università degli Studi di Milano.

Dr. Gert Hatz of Hamburg and his wife Dr. Vera Hatz were elected honorary members of the Institut Grand-Ducal de Luxembourg, Section des Sciences Historiques, in February 1987.

Am 1 September 1986 ist Dr. Aleksandra Krzyżanowska, seit 1978 Direktor des Münzkabinetts-National Museum in Warschau, in den Ruhestand getreten. Mit demselben Datum hat Tomasz Bylicki die Nachfolge angetreten.

The Frances M. Schwartz Fellowship of the American Numismatic Society has been awarded to Constantine A. Marinescu of Columbia University. He will study the posthumous Lysimachi from Byzantium and Chalcedon for a forthcoming publication, and will assist in the rearrangement of the Society's early imperial coins.

Dr. Lubomír Nemeškal, CSc., for many years Secretary, Vice-President, and Member of the Numismatic Commission of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences, member of the Numismatic Department of the National Museum in Prague and its Director 1960-74, celebrated his 60th birthday 10 January 1987.

Aus Anlass ihres 20-jährigen Bestehens gab die Numismatische Runde Witten e. V. eine Festschrift heraus, die 7 Artikel über das deutsche Münzwesen enthält. [See New Books, modern].

The American Numismatic Society's Graduate Fellowship for 1987-88 has been awarded to Lauris T. Olson of the University of Pennsylvania, to support work on his Ph.D. dissertation on western imitations of the Byzantine solidus, A.D. 400-700.

The American Numismatic Society has awarded its J. Sanford Saltus medal for lifetime achievement in medallic art to the Finnish medallist Kauko Räsänen. An exposition of Räsänen's work was on display at the ANS museum from January 10 to April 1, 1987.

Im Sommersemester 1986, Dr. Dieter Salzmann hat sich an der Universität Bonn mit der Arbeit 'Untersuchungen zur Ikonographie des späten Hellenismus und der Kaiserzeit: Bildnismünzen von römischen Senatoren, Rittern und anderen historischen Personen' für das Fach Klassische Archäologie habilitiert.

Professor Kolbjørn Skaare, the President of the International Numismatic Commission, has been elected President of the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters. At the annual meeting of the Swedish Numismatic Society in May, he was awarded their Gustav VI Adolph medal for outstanding numismatic research, and he was elected a member of the Swedish Kungl. Vitterhets Historie och Antikvitets Akademien.

In March Dr. (h.c.) Raymond Weiller, Luxembourg, was awarded the GIG-Ehrenpreis 1987 by the Gesellschaft für Internationale Geldgeschichte, Frankfurt am Main.

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